

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 6-15 and 18-39 are pending, with claims 1-4, 7-9, 12-14 and 24 being independent. Claims 1-3 and 7-9 have been amended to recite a feature recited in claim 4. No new matter has been introduced.

Initially, applicant acknowledges with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of claims 4, 10, 12, 13, 15, 20, 23-26 and 28-37, and the Examiner's indication that claims 38 and 39 are directed to allowable subject matter. In the statement of the reasons for allowance, the Examiner states that the prior art does not teach or suggest that the polarities of the display signals input to the pixel electrodes through the pixel TFTs connected to one of the plurality of source signal lines are changed together. Applicant notes that this feature does not appear in independent claim 24, which has been allowed.

Claims 1-3, 6-9, 11, 14, 18, 19, 21, 22 and 27, including independent claims 1-3, 7-9 and 14, have been rejected as being anticipated by Hirakata (U.S. Patent No. 6,496,472). Each of independent claims 1-3 and 7-9 has been amended to recite that the polarities of the display signals input to the pixel electrodes through the pixel TFTs connected to one of the plurality of source signal lines are changed together in view of the Examiner's indication that this feature is not taught or suggested by the prior art. In addition, applicant notes that this feature is recited in independent claim 14. Accordingly, for at least this reason, the rejection should be withdrawn.

Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance.

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